

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected the claims as anticipated by Benson et al.

35 USC 102(e)

The Benson reference shows that the program release is enabled. Applicants submit that the prior art does not show that a set of programs is delivered one on one physical storage from the manufacturer to the customer, or user. This feature is claimed in claim 1 as amended. The user is able to release only those programs desired (as a selected user program and as further programs) and the manufacturer is able to block access to the remaining programs on the physical storage. The programs are released on a program by program basis. A feature found in the claims and not shown in the cited art. Further, the claimed invention includes a dongle that includes a plugging connector and further claims that the dongle is plugged into an interface of the data processing system. The Benson reference does not anticipate this feature. In addition, claim 1 provides that a further program is loaded from the storage medium and that the programs are obtained program by program. These features are not found in Benson.

Applicants submit that the combination of features presented in the claims is not found in the cited Benson reference and as such the claimed invention is not anticipated thereby.


Conclusion

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application in light of the foregoing claim amendments and remarks is hereby requested.

Deposit Account Information

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to account no. 501519.

Respectfully submitted,



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